

Project Title Common Wealth IDA Program

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AFI Grant Amount \$103,500

Nonfederal Support \$103,500

Project Period September 2001 – September 2006

Highlights The Center for Women and Families is expanding its

existing AFI Project and offering an additional 60 IDAs for use in any of the three AFI allowable purchases: a first

time home, a microbusiness, or a post-secondary

education. The project match rate is \$2 to \$1, up to \$2,000 in participant savings over 36 months. In addition to core training, services include employment support, childcare,

transportation, crisis management, peer support,

counseling, and credit repair.

Target Population Residents of Jefferson, Trimble, Henry, Bullitt, Spencer,

Shelby, and Oldham Counties, Kentucky.

Grantee/Collaborative Description The Center for Women and Families is a nonprofit agency

heading up this collaborative with the Housing Authority of Jefferson County and the Housing Authority of Louisville. Republic Bank and Trust Company is the partner financial institution. Outreach to immigrant and refugee populations has been undertaken through the work of a bilingual financial counselor and contracts with various service agencies to provide interpretation services

to clients.